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BELGRADE FOR CSCE DELEGATION

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SUBJECT: CSCE: INTERNATIONAL STAFF SUGGESTIONS FOR
ADDITIONS TO UK PAPER ON MAIN THEMES FOR BELGRADE

REF: (A) USNATO 5139, (B) USNATO 4231

1. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) HAS, ON ITS OWN INITIA-
TIVE, CIRCULATED THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED ADDITIONS TO THE
UK PAPER ON THEMES (REFTELS). THE IS PROPOSES THAT ITS
SUGGESTIONS BE CONSIDERED AT THE JUNE 23 POLADS DISCUS-
SION OF CSCE. ACTION REQUEST: IF POSSIBLE, WE WOULD
APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON THIS PAPER IN
TIME FOR JUNE 23 POLADS MEETING. END ACTION REQUEST.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF IS SUGGESTIONS:
PREPARATIONS FOR THE BELGRADE MEETINGS 1977

MAIN THEMES FOR BELGRADE
POSSIBLE ADDITIONS TO PAPER CIRCULATED BY UK DELEGATION
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BASKET III

HUMAN CONTACTS

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--- ADD:

--- "(E) THE EXCELLENT LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE BY WESTERN COUNTRIES IN THESE FIELDS."

CONTACTS AND REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE BASIS OF FAMILY TIES, REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES, MARRIAGE BETWEEN CITIZENS OF DIFFERENT STATES:

---REPLACE (B) - (F) BY THE FOLLOWING (WHICH INCORPORATE THE POINTS MADE IN THE ORIGINAL (B) - (F)):

---"(B) THERE HAS BEEN ONLY IMPERFECT AND UNEVEN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNDERTAKINGS IN THE FINAL ACT TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS 'FAVOURABLY' (FAMILY REUNIFICATION). IN PARTICULAR, MANY APPLICATIONS TO LEAVE EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES FOR FAMILY MEETINGS AND REUNIFICATION ARE STILL SUBJECT TO REFUSAL, OFTEN REPEATED OVER MANY MONTHS OR YEARS;

--- (C) EVEN URGENT CASES (E.G. ILLNESS, DEATH) ARE SOMETIMES STILL REFUSED OR NOT GIVEN PRIORITY TREATMENT;

--- (D) THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DISCRIMINATION IN CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS ON GROUNDS OF THE POLITICAL VIEWS AND PERSONAL BACKGROUND OF THE APPLICANT OR FAMILY MEMBER TO BE VISITED OR JOINED (ESPECIALLY 'ILLEGAL' EMIGRANTS), AS WELL AS ON OTHER GROUNDS SUCH AS DISCRIMINATION AGAINST SPECIALISTS AND MALES OF WORKING AGE;

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--- (E) SOME CASES INVOLVING THE REUNIFICATION OF CHILDREN (INCLUDING MINORS) WITH THEIR PARENTS ARE AMONG THOSE WHICH ARE STILL REFUSED OR SUBJECTED TO LONG DELAYS: THOUGH RELATIVELY FEW IN NUMBER, THE HUMANITARIAN ARGUMENTS FOR THEIR EARLY SOLUTION ARE STRONG;

--- (F) THERE HAS ALSO ONLY BEEN IMPERFECT AND UNEVEN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNDERTAKING IN THE FINAL ACT TO CONSIDER BI-NATIONAL MARRIAGES 'FAVOURABLY AND ON THE BASIS OF HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATIONS'. APPLICATIONS TO MARRY AND TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AFTER MARRIAGE ARE STILL REFUSED OR SUBJECT TO LONG DELAY. APPLICATIONS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY FOR PURPOSES OF MARRIAGE ARE ALMOST NEVER GRANTED;

--- (G) CASES OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST, AND ACTUAL HARASSMENT OF INDIVIDUALS APPLYING FOR FAMILY MEETINGS, REUNIFICATION OR BINATIONAL MARRIAGE CONTINUE TO OCCUR;

--- (H) WHILE THE OBSTACLES TO THE ENTRY OF WESTERN VISITORS TO EASTERN COUNTRIES FOR FAMILY VISITS ARE FEWER

THAN THOSE TO THE EXIT OF WOULD-BE EASTERN VISITORS,
APPLICATIONS ARE STILL SOMETIMES REFUSED OR SUBJECT TO
LONG DELAY, AND IN A FEW CASES WESTERN VISITORS HAVE SUB-
SEQUENT DIFFICULTY IN LEAVING THE EASTERN COUNTRY;

--- (I) APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR FAMILY MEETINGS AND
REUNIFICATION AND BINATIONAL MARRIAGES ARE DIFFICULT AND
INVOLVE LONG DELAY: INFORMATION ON THESE PROCEDURES IS
NOT EASILY AVAILABLE TO APPLICANTS: THE REASON FOR RE-
FUSAL IS NOT GIVEN; AND FEES ARE STILL CHARGED FOR APPLI-
CATIONS SUBSEQUENT TO REFUSALS;

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--- (J) ASPIRING APPLICANTS FACE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES:
HIGH COST OF EXIT DOCUMENTS; INSUFFICIENT ALLOTMENT OF
FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND DEMANDS FOR AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT FROM
FAMILY MEMBER TO BE VISITED ABROAD; CONFISCATION OF PROP-
ERTY OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION EMIGRANTS AND UNDUE LIMITA-
TION ON AMOUNT OF HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL EFFECTS THEY MAY
TAKE WITH THEM;

--- (K) A MAXIMUM DURATION AND FREQUENCY IS PLACED ON
VISITS ABROAD INCLUDING FOR FAMILY MEETINGS;

--- (L) THE PRACTICE OF ENSURING THAT ONE MEMBER OF THE
FAMILY REMAINS BEHIND MAKES IT DIFFICULT FOR FAMILIES TO
TRAVEL TOGETHER FOR FAMILY MEETINGS;

--- (M) DIFFICULTY OF ACCESS TO WESTERN EMBASSIES."

TRAVEL FOR PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL REASONS, IMPROVEMENT
OF CONDITIONS FOR TOURISM

---- REPLACE (A) - (C) BY THE FOLLOWING (WHICH INCORPORATES
THE CONTENT OF THE ORIGINAL (A) - (C):

--- "(A) THERE HAS BEEN ONLY IMPERFECT AND UNEVEN IMPL-
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MENTATION OF THE UNDERTAKINGS IN THE FINAL ACT TO 'FACILI-
TATE WIDER TRAVEL' AND 'PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF TOUR-
ISM'. IN PARTICULAR MANY APPLICATIONS TO LEAVE EASTERN
COUNTRIES FOR TRAVEL AND TOURISM ARE REFUSED OR SUBJECT TO
LONG DELAY. THE DIFFICULTIES ARE PARTICULARLY INTENSE FOR
PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS (AS OPPOSED TO TRAVEL ON OFFICIAL
BUSINESS AND GROUP TOURISM);

--- (B) APPLICANTS FOR TRAVEL AND TOURISM FROM EASTERN
COUNTRIES MEET SOME OF THE SAME DIFFICULTIES AS APPLI-
CANTS FOR FAMILY MEETINGS, REUNIFICATION AND BINATIONAL
MARRIAGE: DISCRIMINATION IN CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS, LONG
AND DIFFICULT PROCEDURES, REASON FOR REFUSALS NOT GIVEN,
MAXIMUM FREQUENCY AND DURATION OF VISITS, HIGH COST OF
EXIT DOCUMENTS, NEED TO LEAVE BEHIND A MEMBER OF THE
FAMILY, DIFFICULTY OF ACCESS TO FOREIGN EMBASSIES;

--- (C) CURRENCY RESTRICTIONS ON EASTERN TRAVELLERS GREAT-
LY RESTRICT OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRAVEL ABROAD (ESPECIALLY
PRIVATE TOURISTS): THESE PARTLY REFLECT ECONOMIC DIFFI-
CULTIES BUT ALSO THE LOW PRIORITY GIVEN TO MAKING CUR-
RENCY AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE;

--- (D) THERE ARE FAR FEWER OBSTACLES TO THE ENTRY OF
WESTERN VISITORS TO THE EAST THAN TO EXIT FROM THOSE COUN-
TRIES. HOWEVER THERE ARE STILL DIFFICULTIES: SOME RE-
FUSALS OF APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY, NEED FOR PRIOR APPROVAL
OF ITINERARY AND RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENT, MINIMUM CURRENCY
EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS, DISCRIMINATORY CHARGES FOR FOR-
EIGNERS IN HOTELS."

OTHER ASPECTS

---- ADD THE FOLLOWING:

---- "THERE ARE OTHER DIFFICULTIES WHOSE REMOVAL WOULD
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SEEM REQUIRED BY THE GENERAL UNDERTAKINGS IN THE FINAL ACT
TO FACILITATE CONTACTS AS WELL AS TO FACILITATE FREER
MOVEMENT:

--- (A) IMPOSITION OF HIGH DUTIES ON GIFTS AND MONIES
PROVIDED BY PERSONS IN OTHER STATES;

--- (B) DIFFICULTIES SOMETIMES APPARENTLY EXPERIENCED IN
TELEPHONE AND LETTER COMMUNICATION WITH INDIVIDUALS IN
FOREIGN COUNTRIES."
INFORMATION

MINI PREAMBLE

---- ADD THE FOLLOWING:

--- "(D) THE FLOW OF INFORMATION SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY
THE CHOICE OF THE INDIVIDUAL AS TO WHAT HE WISHES TO READ,
SEE, HEAR;

--- (E) EXCELLENT LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CRITERIA
IN (B) AND (D) BY WESTERN COUNTRIES."

IMPROVEMENT OF THE CIRCULATION OF ACCESS TO AND EXCHANGE OF
INFORMATION

--- (A) ADD TO END OF ORIGINAL (A): "BOTH AS REGARDS THE
NUMBER OF TITLES AND NUMBER OF COPIES;"

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--- (B) EXPAND ORIGINAL (B) TO READ: "RESTRICTED ACCESS BY THE PUBLIC TO WESTERN NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS BOTH AS REGARDS GEOGRAPHICAL SPREAD OF ACCESS (ONLY CAPITAL OR MAJOR CITIES) AND ACCESS POINTS (TOURIST POINTS RATHER THAN PUBLIC KIOSKS, AND RESTRICTED LIBRARY ACCESS) AS WELL AS INADEQUATE POSSIBILITIES FOR TAKING OUT SUBSCRIPTIONS TO WESTERN PERIODICALS;"

--- (C) TEXT AS IN ORIGINAL (C);

--- (D) INSERT: "LITTLE PROGRESS IN PROMOTING WIDER SHOWING AND BROADCASTING OF FILMS AND BROADCAST MATERIAL FROM OTHER COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY OF FEATURES AND NEW ITEMS REFLECTING A REPRESENTATIVE CROSS-SECTION."

IMPROVEMENT OF WORKING CONDITIONS FOR JOURNALISTS

---- INSERT AT END:

--- "(D) CONTINUING DIFFICULTIES IN IMPORTING TECHNICAL PERSONNEL (ESPECIALLY TV) AND TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT/REFERENCE MATERIAL, AND IN OBTAINING APPROVAL OF PROJECTS (ESPECIALLY FILMING PROJECTS)." END TEXT. STREATOR
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